## Framework to Plan Network Visioning Proposal

 Integrated Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Seafood Visioning for a Sustainable and Resilient Future

#### Goals

- Convene Sea Grant fisheries, aquaculture, and seafood expertise in research, education, and extension from throughout the network.
- Develop a robust 10 year vision promoting seafood sustainability from waters to plate.
- Focus on lessons learned from various programs in regards to helping make the commercial, recreational, and aquaculture sectors more resilient.
- Create active multidisciplinary inter and intra sector partnerships.
- Enhance communication among the various industry sectors and the national Sea Grant network.
- Broaden the knowledge base to enhance various sectors understanding of each other's policies and practices.
- Identify new procedures, technologies, and policies to generate a more streamlined industry.
- Dissipate some of the complexities surrounding seafood production, processing, marketing, and consumption.

## Background Information:

- Sea Grant has a long history of working in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors to support a sustainable seafood industry, non-food fish supplies, recreational fisheries, and healthy coastal ecosystems. This work has included Sea Grant's research, education, and extension capacities.
- Sustainable fisheries represent a critical component of the Network Strategic Plan, and rely on strong communities, well-managed harvests, and safe post-harvest processes to deliver healthy seafood to consumers.
- Aquaculture provides an important complementary way to increase seafood supply to meet demand that cannot be met through wild fisheries alone. This effort will have some connections to the network's visioning efforts in aquaculture.
- Industry resilience is critical to the supply of safe, secure, and sustainable seafood from both fisheries and aquaculture. The above goals support all learning, action, and consequence outcomes under goal 4 of the National Strategic Plan.
- What do you envision your leadership role to be and what do you expect of the other programs participating and the NSGO?
  - LASG, MDSG, and NYSG would take the lead in chairing the leadership team and organizing the meeting. Specifically, Julie Lively (Louisiana), Cathy Liu (Maryland), and Michael Ciaramella (New York) would take the lead with

- others from the wider network on the coordinating team (see list below). With the team, we would organize the meeting and use input to create an agenda representing topics important to all the programs around the country.
- Participating programs will engage in a series of virtual meetings, an inperson meeting, and in the drafting and review of a visioning document resulting from these gatherings. We anticipate national participation from almost every Sea Grant program through attendance at the meeting.
  - The vision document will be divided into subsections representing the various sectors with program participants identified as section leads for each section. Interested parties should expect to dedicate 2-4 weeks' time over the course of the year to engage their subsection participants in drafting their vision for that sector. The section leads will also be responsible for making sure their team identifies means of integrating with other sectors with the help of the vision leaders.
  - All participants will be asked to assist with review and editing of the final document and subsections.
- We would encourage NSGO input in planning and in attending the meeting.
  We would also hope to have NSGO input in the formation and writing of the 10-Yr. vision in order to create a document that is as useful as possible to the entire SG network. The NSGO can also help make connections to other relevant efforts.

#### • General Resources:

- The core budget will come from Visioning Funds to NY, LA, and MD to lead the effort. We estimate approximately \$15,000 in total will be needed to cover venue cost, food, materials, salaries and publication of the vision document.
- Virtual meetings of appropriate subtopics, leading up to a 3-4 day in-person meeting in Louisiana. There may be a small registration fee to help defray some of the costs. Attendees should budget \$2,000 for travel and lodging at the meeting in Louisiana (though please take into account your own program location when developing your budget).
- Given the breadth of the topic, the coordinating team is robust, with representation from across the network including extension, research, and education. This team will ensure the report is prepared by August 2018.

#### • Timeline:

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
Conference calls with the	x	X						,				
project team to begin												
coordinating the meeting												
Set the location and date to	X	X	X									
notify the national network												
Set the agenda with sessions			X	X								
Outline the major proposed			X	X								
sections of the 10-Yr Vision												
Statement												
Finalize the meeting					X	X						
Host the national meeting*						X	X					
Session chairs submit final								X	X			
reports and summaries for												
their sessions												
Conference calls for the 10-	X		X			X			X	X	X	
Yr Vision Statement												
Drafts of vision statement									X			
out for review												
Revisions to the final vision										X		
statement report												
Submission of all project											x	X
reports to the NSGO												

#### • Team:

## **Topic Co-leads:**

Louisiana (Julie Lively), Maryland (Cathy Liu), and New York (Michael Ciaramella)

### NSGO:

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# **Coordinating Team and Interested Programs:**

Alaska (Chris Sannito and Gabriel Dunham)

California (Carrie Pomeroy, Carrie Culver, Joe Tyburczy, and Theresa Talley)

Connecticut (Anoushka Concepcion and Robert Pomeroy)

Delaware (John Ewart)

Florida (Chuck Adams, George Baker, and Shelly Krueger)

Georgia (Bryan Fluech)

Hawaii (Kelley Anderson Tagarino)

Illinois-Indiana (Leslie Dorworth and Kwamena Quagrainie)

Law Center (Alexandra Chase and Stephanie Showalter)

Maine (Dana Morse)

Maryland (Matt Parker, Don Webster)

Mississippi-Alabama (Bill Walton)

MIT (Rob Vincent)

New Hampshire (Erik Chapman)

New Jersey (Peter Rowe and Michael Dank)

New York (Jesse Lepak, Antoinette Clemetson)

North Carolina (Sara Mirabillio and Barry Nash)

Ohio (Tory Gabriel)

Rhode Island (Dennis Nixon, Jennifer McCann, Dawn Katowicz, and Julia Wyman)

Texas (Pamela T. Plotkin and Andrew Ropicki)

Virginia (Bob Lane and Bob Fisher)

Washington (Kate Litle)

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